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Crowell & Moring Partner Teresa Stanek Rea Honored with U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Society's Federico Award

Washington – February 21, 2018: Teresa "Terry" Stanek Rea, vice chair of Crowell & Moring LLP's Intellectual Property Group, has been awarded the Patent and Trademark Office Society's 2017 Pasquale J. Federico Memorial Award in recognition of her outstanding contributions to the patent and trademark systems of the United States.

Rea is a recognized authority on intellectual property law who has advised on IP issues in the public and private sectors. She is the former acting and deputy director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), as well as acting and deputy undersecretary of commerce for intellectual property. She led the USPTO through the implementation of the America Invents Act, the landmark legislation to overhaul the nation's patent system that President Obama signed into law in 2011. The America Invents Act incorporated reforms to the patent application process, and Rea's duties included leading the implementation of the Patent Trial and Appeal Board.

Rea was honored at the Patent and Trademark Office Society's annual meeting on February 7. The Patent and Trademark Office Society is an independent organization primarily for patent and trademark professionals.

A licensed pharmacist and attorney, Rea currently serves as interim director of the Patent Trial and Appeal Board Bar Association. She is also the former president of the American Intellectual Property Law Association and the National Inventors Hall of Fame.

In addition to serving as a Crowell & Moring partner, Rea is a director with C&M International, the international trade and investment consulting firm affiliated with Crowell & Moring. Her practice concentrates on IP policies and strategies, patent enforcement and post-grant administrative proceedings, trade secrets policy and enforcement, and digital/Internet related copyright issues.

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